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The text is almost wholly free from typographical errors, that which gives the dimensions of *Schizæa* in feet instead of inches being the only one noticed, and serving to call to mind a similar error in Gray's Manual where the dimensions of *Solidago altissima* is given in inches instead of feet, a typographical error so plain that one would suppose any intelligent botanist would so understand it without any explanation, yet a recent writer has seriously assumed that Prof. Gray was in error in representing that plant as only growing seven inches high!

Altogether the present work is a most creditable addition to our fern literature, and should be in the hands of all Pteridologists and Pteridophils. G. E. D.

§ 355. **Trapa natans.**—I found this plant growing in Fresh Pond, Cambridge, Mass., several years ago, and, though it puzzled me at first, I soon traced it to the Botanical Garden and to Mr. Louis Guerineau, then gardener, who had thrown the seeds into this and other ponds. Later I carried seeds of it, and plants of *Marsilia quadrifolia* which had also been placed in the pond by Mr. Guerineau, to my friend Minor Pratt, of Concord, Mass., and very well remember our placing both seeds and plants in a pond near Sudbury River. Afterwards I think Mr. Pratt distributed more of them, and I suspect that the plant of *Trapa natans*, mentioned in the July *Bulletin* as having been taken from a pond in Concord, originated from seeds thus distributed either by Mr. Pratt or myself.

I have several times had plants of *Trapa natans* that were collected in the vicinity of Boston, during the present year, brought to me for identification, and I have never entertained a doubt as to the manner of its introduction into waters outside of the Cambridge Botanic Garden. But that so fine a plant as this, with its handsome leafy rosettes, and edible nuts, which would, if common, be as attractive to boys as hickory nuts now are, can ever become a "nuisance" I can scarcely believe. GEO. E. DAVENPORT.

Boston, Oct., 1879.

§ 356. **Utricularia resupinata**, Greene.—The limits of this species in Gray's Manual confine it to "sandy margins of ponds, East Maine to Rhode Island." That Mr. Miller should find it in similar situations in Suffolk Co., is not strange; but now Mrs. Charles Barnes, of the Syracuse Botanical Club, has found it in the North Woods, Fenton's, No. 4, Lewis Co., New York, Aug., 1879, on the marshy shores of a lake, as we are informed. Mrs. Barnes has already made "Fenton's, No. 4" noted for *Bytrychium simplex*, vid. Davenport's monograph.

§ 357. **Gray's Botanical Text Book. Structural Botany.**—A second issue from the stereotype plates of this work, bearing the date of 1880, appeared in October. In it such typographical corrections have been made as had been indicated to the author, and two or three small alterations. The author solicits further corrections, typographical and other.

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